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The new lights can shimmer, pulse, and even appear to dance.

BLING THING

Brighter, bolder lights for Parachute Jump

By Will Bredderman
The Brooklyn Paper

Now there's a reason to wear sunglasses after dark — in Coney Island, at least!

The neighborhood's iconic Parachute Jump came back to life in full glittering glory on June 22, as corporate leaders from Central Amusements International — the company behind Luna Park — and Brooklyn pols turned on the tower's new \$2-million lighting system.

Hundreds gathered to watch the 8,000 state-of-the-art diodes come to life, and send pulsing patterns up and down the steel frame structure popularly called "the Eiffel Tower of Brooklyn."

Amos Wengler, the poet laureate of the People's Playground, per-

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formed his latest tune, "Coney's Coming Back," with kids from PS 90 as the sun sank.

Finally, Antonio Zamperla, the founder of Central Amusements International, and Borough President Markowitz, pulled the switch. The tower shone brilliant red and blue. Markowitz — who has championed the plan to add "bling" to the 74-year-old former ride since 2008 — applauded the realization of his shimmering vision.

"The new-and-improved Parachute Jump will be as in-your-face and defin-

itively Brooklyn as it gets," the beep said. "The Parachute Jump's new LED-lit swagger is the perfect meeting of an old-school Brooklyn icon with our trademark attitude."

But not everyone was cheering. The People's Coalition of Coney Island — a group claiming that post-Sandy recovery funds have unfairly focused on amusements rather than residents — protested what it perceived as another misallocation of precious funds.

"Where are our priorities?" one demonstrator's sign demanded, noting the levels of poverty and hurricane devastation in the surrounding neighborhood.

The Parachute Jump debuted at the 1939 World's Fair, and relocated to Coney's legendary Steeplechase Park

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Hate-rape suspect sought

By Danielle Furfaro
The Brooklyn Paper

Police have released a sketch and a video of a man they believe was responsible for a knife-point rape in Greenpoint earlier this month.

Police say the man is between 25 and 35 years old, 5-foot-9 with a medium build, and dark hair. He was wearing a black T-shirt with a design on the front, blue jeans, and was

carrying a backpack.

The man attacked the woman on Java Street early in the morning on Sunday, June 16. He put a knife up to her face, pulled her down to the ground and told her he was raping her because she was gay.

Greenpoint residents say they are horrified and will be on high alert until the man is caught.

"Greenpoint always seems fairly safe and then something like this happens," said 32-year-old Shira Blackman. "I'm going to take a car home for a while."

Councilman Steve Levin gathered a group of volunteers on Monday evening to stand outside the Greenpoint Avenue G train stop and hand out fliers to make sure as many people as possible had heard

about the attack.

"We are deeply troubled by reports that the survivor of this attack may have been targeted because of her sexual orientation," Levin said in a statement he jointly released with Council Speaker Christine Quinn. "New York City's greatest strength is our diversity, but in recent months, there has been an unacceptable increase in hate crimes."



Police say a man who looks like this is wanted for a rape in Greenpoint.



Something fishy

Katheleen Miller came all the way from Maryland to show off her marine splendor at the 30th annual Mermaid Parade in Coney Island on Saturday.



Linnea Vedder, Anna Fitzgerald, Danielle Duguay, Sarah Scheld cast a circle before a new moon ceremony.

Witch church? It's in Bushwick

Group focused on sorcery, woman-power settles in hipster haven

By Danielle Furfaro
The Brooklyn Paper

Meet the BushWiccans!

The Borough of Churches' latest addition is a group of pagan women who have set up a Wiccan church in Bushwick that routinely holds ceremonies based on celestial beings and menstrual cycles.

Members of the new Moon Church say it is a far cry from a typical house of worship, but only because there are

no pews, no priests, no passing of the collection basket, and a good deal of sorcery.

"It's guided meditation, breath work, learning magic together," said Lyndsey Harrington, one of the group's founders. "We're trying to marry that to magic and spirituality."

The monthly service is chock full of standard church pageantry, including candles, incense, and offerings to the spirits, combined with flowing skirts, long hair, and plenty of woman power

—so much so that the mention of "God" usually ends with an "ess."

"I realized how witchcraft is integral to women and empowerment and the female collective," said Harrington. "It's about learning to be vulnerable with other women and the power that comes from that."

The church celebrated the last new moon with a ceremony led by Harrington, a 22-year-old native of southern California who grew up surrounded by alternative spiritual groups, in a fourth-

floor apartment of the McKibben Lofts. About 20 women and a couple of men participated in the hour-long circle that included incantations and readings from the book of the Dead (well, Grateful Dead lyrics, anyway).

In addition to the new-moon ceremonies, the church regularly hosts women-only gatherings focused on menstruation.

"We have a circle that is about loving your body and learning how to re-

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Brooklyn gays hail Supremes

By Danielle Furfaro and Natalie Musumeci
The Brooklyn Paper

It's national V-Gay Day!

Gay Brooklynites traveled to the Stonewall Inn in Manhattan on Wednesday and gathered with gay-rights activists to cheer the repeal by the Supreme Court of



Gay Brooklynites are cheering the Supreme Court's ruling recognizing same-sex marriage — just as they did the day it was legalized here in New York.

the so-called Defense of Marriage Act, marking the first time that the federal government has recognized the marriage of two people of the same sex.

"This is our day," said Crown Heights resident Sheila Donovan, who can now live in Brooklyn with her soon-to-be bride, a citizen of France — something that wouldn't have been possible before today. "When something has the backing of law it's harder for people opposed to gay rights to legitimize an argument."

Donovan and her fiancée, Bettina Atala, were two of many Brooklynites who visited the famous bar in the West Village where the gay-rights movement launched in 1969. The legendary bar's owners opened at 10 am, right before the Supreme Court ruled 5-4 extending federal benefits to same-sex couples. The bar was packed when the ruling came down, and cheers and tears from those on hand quickly followed.

"We are free," said Atala, who will wed Donovan in France in August. "It's such a relief. We don't feel like second-class citizens here in New York."

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Lauren Schneider, whose dog was mauled to death by a larger dog, has started a campaign to bring the owners of the other dog to justice.

Vigil for a small dog

Arlo's owner vows to get justice after attack

By Danielle Furfaro
The Brooklyn Paper

Little Arlo the Pomeranian will live on in the hearts of many who showed up for a Sunday night vigil to commemorate the tiny pup who died in the jaws of a larger canine.

More than 35 people showed up to the vigil to celebrate Arlo's one year of life — and to push for justice for the Pomeranian.

Arlo died earlier this month when he was attacked by a large, white Shepherd mix dog who

ran right up to Arlo and shook the tiny dog to death in his massive jaws.

Arlo's owner Lauren Schneider, who was beside herself with grief over the death, claims she tracked down the killer dog's

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Oh preacher, don't preach

Billyburgers want sidewalk speaker to lower speakers

By Danielle Furfaro
The Brooklyn Paper

A group of Brooklynites are banding together to try to quiet down a street preacher whose bombastic, amplified sermons have annoyed them for years.

Ray Bou has come to the corner of Broadway and Havemeyer Street under the elevated J and M train in Williamsburg every weekend for the more than a decade to preach the word of the Bible loud enough for people to hear him above the subway's roar, and residents say they've had enough.

"He is trying to be louder than the train," said Martin Misiak, who lives on Broadway. "I literally cannot be in my apartment on the weekends and think clearly."

But the sidewalk speaker, who uses a guitar and amplifier to get his message out, claims his words are reverberating only because of his love for his fellow man.



Street preacher Ray Bou has been spreading the word at the corner of Broadway and Havemeyer Street for the past 14 years. Neighbors say he's too loud.

"I come here because I want to help people," said Bou, who says he is a reformed heroin and crack

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Clones off to rocky start

Staten Island 5 Cyclones 2
June 19 at Staten Island

The Staten Island Yankees scored five runs early and never looked back, handing the Brooklyn Cyclones a 5–2 loss at Richmond County Bank Ballpark.

In the second inning, Kale Sumner and Bubba Jones each singled before Francisco Rosario drove them home with a double.

Cyclones 3 Aberdeen 3
June 20 at MCU Park

The Cyclones finally won this season, going 3–0 on Opening Night.

Clones starting pitcher John Gant threw five solid innings to earn the win, striking out six.

Cyclones 4 Aberdeen 2
June 21 at MCU Park

The Cyclones erased an early 2–0 deficit and beat the Aberdeen IronBirds to even their season record at 2–2.



The Ride

Brooklyn’s Boys of Summer were down in the sixth when third baseman Anthony Chavez doubled to center field. Biondi tied the game on a wild pitch by IronBird hurler Janser Severino.

Aberdeen 5 Cyclones 4
June 22 at MCU Park

The Cyclones rallied from a 4–0 deficit in the ninth to tie the game, but lost to the Iron-Birds in the 10th, 5–4.

Cyclones 4 Hudson Valley 3
June 23 at MCU Park

The Cyclones pulled off another ninth inning rally, sending the game into extra innings for the second-straight night, winning 4–3 in 13.

Hudson Valley was up 3–2 in the ninth, when Clones center fielder Patrick “To



Sandy the Seagull chats with Rabbi Steve Meltz before the home game on Jewish Heritage Night at MCU Park.

Infinity and” Biondi singled, sending fielder James “Papa” Roche, home to tie the game at 3.

Cyclones 3 Hudson Valley 2
June 24 at Hudson Valley

In another ninth-inning rally, the Clones broke a 2–2 tie in the top of the final frame when Ismael Tjerini scored the deciding run on a sacrifice fly by Gavin Cecchini.

Cristian Chivilli pitched the last three innings, giving up

one hit, to earn the win.

The Clones scored one in the first. Lead-off hitter Patrick “To Infinity and” Biondi walked. Then singles by Gavin Cecchini, L.J. “Mini Mazz” Mazzilli and Jared King, got him around the bases. But Hudson Valley hurler Julian Ridings got out of the jam with a strike-out and a double play.

Brooklyn’s second run came in the fourth, when Matthew “Bright Eyes” Oberste walked and scored on a double by Alexander Sanchez.

Small quarters, but big dreams

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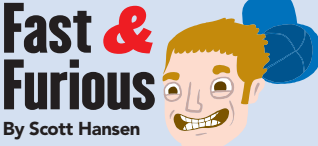
When I finalized my internship to come out to Brooklyn and paid the hefty sum to live here, I started to imagine what my place would look like: the flat-screen TV, the private room, and room service that leaves a chocolate mint on my pillow every night.

To my surprise (but not to my editor’s), many of the same thoughts excited the Cyclones players as they headed to Brooklyn. But why wouldn’t that be the case? They, too, were coming to the big city to do for a living the thing they loved most. And for many of them it was, just like it was for me, the first time living in the big city.

Reality quickly set in for all of us.

I’m stuck in the St. George Hotel, sharing a small room with another student, splitting a tiny fridge and one old, glass-tube television.

And many of the Cyclones are shacking up with teammates at a Holiday Inn Express in Gowanus where, no matter how much the signing bonus was, there are no private rooms,



Fast & Furious
By Scott Hansen

no gold-lace pillows, and certainly no chocolate.

But we’re all intent on making it work.

“It’s back to freshman year a little bit,” said Cyclone center-fielder Patrick “To Infinity and” Biondi, who is a couple weeks removed from playing at the University of Michigan and now shares a room with L.J. “Mini-Maz” Mazzilli. “We got two guys in a little room, and we’ve had a lot of fun with it.”

Over at my complex, things are pretty much the same. We are all here for the same purpose. We’re all from different places around the globe. We’re all attempting to make our first real mark on the professional world. And we all have each other, to a degree, to rely on when adversity sets in. We could form some of the most unlikely

of friendships while we are here. I mean, a music production intern from L.A. would have little reason to hang out with a journalism intern from the backwoods of Arkansas.

But here we are in Brooklyn, forming a friendship.

The Cyclones roster brings together players from as nearby as Greenwich, Conn. and as far away as Caracas, Venezuela. These guys, who would have virtually no chance of bumping into each other in any other circumstance, are now brought together to work for the same goal: winning a championship and making it to the next level. Manager Rich Donnelly was amazed by the friendships made when two people from different backgrounds meet on the baseball field.

“A guy from the Dominican Republic is going to meet a guy from California and they’ll be friends forever,” Donnelly said. “That’s special. There aren’t a whole lot of people who get to say that.”

Outfielder Jared King, fresh out of Kansas State, and living with first baseman Matt “Bright Eyes” Oberste, straight out of Big 12 foe Oklahoma, said the adjustment to Brooklyn and the living arrangement has been different, but enjoyable.

“It’s a great city, a ton of people and new ways to get places,” King said. “It’s always good to get a different change of scenery from what you’re familiar with.”

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Home sweet hospital

Century-old Park Slope buildings to be replaced

By **Natalie Musumeci**
The Brooklyn Paper

New York Methodist Hospital plans to demolish at least 15 buildings near the Sixth Street medical center to make way for new ambulatory centers, sources familiar with the project said.

The hospital plans to tear down a slew of old buildings — some from the 19th century — that it owns on Fifth Street, Eighth Avenue, and Sixth Street and replace them with out-patient facilities that could be as much as seven stories high, said Tom Miskel, the chair of Community Board 6’s transportation committee and a longtime Park Slope resident who said he’s sad to see the buildings, which are not landmarked or a part of Park Slope’s enormous historic district, get knocked down.

“It’s a shame that all of these brownstones have to come down,” said Miskel. “But they have the right to do it.”

The plans were previewed at a special June 19 meeting at the medical center between Seventh and Eighth avenues to a handful of community members, including Miskel. At the meeting, representatives from the hospital and the architecture firm handling the project went over the plan.

Most of the hospital-owned buildings on Eighth Avenue have been vacant for at least a year, according to neighbors. The hospital owns four 19th-century row houses on Fifth Street between Seventh and Eighth avenues, said hospi-



New York Methodist Hospital plans to tear down a slew of old buildings — some from the 19th century — that it owns on Fifth Street and replace them with out-patient facilities.

tal spokeswoman Lyn Hill, adding that the hospital does not plan to demolish all of the buildings on the block. Renters currently occupy some of the Fifth Street buildings.

Hill wouldn’t provide details on what she called “very preliminary” plans, but verified that there will be demolition involved, and some residents will be forced to move.

“The people who need to move have already been informed,” she said, adding that the hospital will provide all displaced residents with “equal or better housing for the same amount of money.”

Neighbors received a letter from the hospital last

week notifying them of the construction project, adding that it won’t begin for at least a year. The letter invited them to a meeting at the hospital last Thursday to discuss the construction project and “to exchange ideas about how any disruption to your block can be kept to a minimum.”

But some neighbors who would be impacted by construction said they are concerned about the ambiguous plans.

“We are worried about building dust and noise pollution,” said Fifth Street resident Philippa Garson, who lives in a condo directly across the street from the hospital-owned buildings.

Longtime Fifth Street res-

ident David Goodman, who lives in the same building as Garson, said that although he views Methodist Hospital as an important part of the neighborhood, he is ready to put up a fight to stop it from tearing down the historic buildings.

“To tear down these buildings is criminal,” said Goodman. “We will fight them on this. I won’t allow these buildings to be knocked down if we have a chance.”

Hill said that in order to get community input on the plans hospital representatives plan to make a presentation at a July 11 public meeting with Community Board 6 and the Park Slope Civic Council.

Cops seek duo for robbery

By **Natalie Musumeci**
The Brooklyn Paper

Police are on the hunt for a man and woman who they say may have robbed a Boerum Hill man at gunpoint on June 14.

Cops want to question Marcia Richard, 42, and Dorian Steeley, 28, after a man scrolling through mug shots identified them as two people that mugged him early that morning.

The 34-year-old victim claims he was walking on Smith Street near Atlantic Avenue at 3:05 am when the



Police are looking for Marcia Richard and Dorian Steeley.

woman, whom the victim claims was Richard, asked for spare change.

The man gave her some loose change and kept walk-

ing, but she followed, badgering him for more money, cops said. At Warren Street, another man, whom the victim thinks was Steeley, allegedly

approached him with a gun.

The gunman made the victim walk along Smith Street to Baltic Street where, police said, the two ordered him to his knees and then rummaged through the his pockets, taking his cellphone and cash before fleeing.

Police released the mug shots of Richard, who they say is 5-feet-7 tall and 145 pounds, and Steeley, who is 5-feet-6 tall and 185 pounds.

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Irate driver cuts off man — then cuts him

84TH PRECINCT
Brooklyn Heights–DUMBO–Boerum Hill–Downtown
A brutal driver stabbed a man on Myrtle Avenue on June 22.
The victim was driving near Flatbush Avenue Extension at 8:54 pm when the thug cut him off.
The men got out of their vehicles and began to fight — and the irate driver pulled a sharp object.
Police say the victim was stabbed on his left side and suffered multiple lacerations to his left arm.
No swiping
An agile intruder attempted to burgle a Pierrepont Street apartment on June 20 — but left empty-handed after the victim woke up and saw him.
Police say the climbed the fire escape of the building between Henry and Hicks streets at 11:40 pm and entered a fourth-floor apartment. The would-be victim woke up and screamed at the man, telling him to leave.

The scaredy-cat fled the apartment without taking anything.

Green thief

A money-grubbing thief stole \$1,400 from a Bridge Street apartment sometime between June 10 and 13.

The victim told police the thief had access to the apartment between York and Prospect streets while he was out from June 10 at 11 pm and June 13 at 10 am, and knew where the money was kept. He said that she did not deny stealing the money when he confronted her about it.

Bus bandit

A pick-pocket swiped a woman's wallet as she got off the B23 on Jay street on June 22.

The woman told police she felt the man brush up against her as she exited the bus near Fulton Street at 2 pm. She realized her billfold was missing when she transferred to the B62 at the same stop.

The wallet contained debit, social security, and Medicaid cards and a birth certificate.

iCrime
Two men violently stole a pedestrian's iPhone on Jay Street on June 21.
The thieves approached the victim at the corner of York Street at 7:30 am and tried to pry the phone from his hands.
When the victim reacted, one man punched the left side of his head and fled with his cohort in the direction of the Farragut Housing Projects.
— **Melissa Goldin**

78TH PRECINCT
Park Slope
Rock for an Apple
A criminal hurled a rock threw the window of a car parked on President Street and stole a laptop from inside sometime between June 21 and June 22.
The 31-year-old victim told police that she left her black Chevrolet parked on the street between Fourth and Fifth avenues on June 21 at 10:30 pm.
When she returned the next day at 8 am she found a rock through her car window and her MacBook Pro missing.

Cleaned house
A crook looted \$1,550 from a city Sanitation worker while he was working at the Hamilton Avenue Sanitation garage on June 20.
The 43-year-old victim told police that he left the lump sum in his locker at the garage near Second Avenue at 5:50 am. When he came back about four hours later the cash was missing.

Coin thief
A bandit burglarized a Carroll Street apartment and made off with \$15 in coins on June 23.
The 42-year-old victim told police that the crook entered through the front door of the building near Eighth Avenue using a spare key left in a sneaker outside the front door at 1:15 am.
The crook waltzed in the apartment, snagged the box of loose change, and fled through the front door, taking the keys, according to a police report.

Gym rats
There were two separate instances of gym-goer's bankcards stolen out of their lockers at a Ninth Street gym on June 8 and June 21.
• A crook looted a gym-goer's bankcards and driver's

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license while he was working out at the fitness center near Fifth Avenue on June 8.

The 45-year-old victim told police that he left his property in the locker of the gym at 11 am.

When he returned two-and-a-half hours later his debit and credit cards and driver's license were gone. He later found out that there were charges made on both cards totaling \$3,300.

The thief made charges at a nearby home improvement store and hardware store.

• On June 21 a thief stole another gym-goer's bankcards while he was working out.

The 39-year-old victim told cops that he placed his wallet in the locker at 4:35 pm. Close to 6 pm the man received a phone call from his bank while he was working out in regards to suspicious charges made on his debit card.

When he went back to the locker it was still locked, but his credit and debit cards were missing.

The crook made charges at a nearby gas station and home improvement store, according to a police report.

MyPhone

A perp snatched an iPhone out of a woman's hand as she was talking on it on Sixth Avenue on June 18.

The 34-year-old victim cops that she was near First Street at about 7:55 pm when the swift crook grabbed the cellular device out of her hand.

Poached

A bandit stole an electric bicycle that was left in front of a Fifth Avenue Thai restaurant on June 14.

The 35-year-old victim told police that he left the ride on the street near Berkeley Place at midnight and when he returned at 10 am the \$2,100 ride was gone.

Family drama

Police cuffed a 22-year-old who they say choked his mother inside their Third Avenue apartment on June 22.

The 46-year-old victim told cops that she was having an argument with her son over cleaning the residence between Wyckoff and Baltic streets at 8 am. The quarrel escalated about 20 minutes later when the woman's son choked his mother with both hands, causing redness and loss of breath, according to a police report.

— **Natalie Musumeci**

76TH PRECINCT
Carroll Gardens–Cobble Hill–Red Hook
Grocery theft
Police arrested a 58-year-old man who they say snatched a woman's wallet and cellphone at a Henry Street grocery store on June 19.
The woman was in the store between Pierrepont and Montague streets between 9:45 and 10:30 am before she realized her billfold and phone were missing from her purse.
The suspect is charged with the theft of the items and for purchasing two MetroCards with her debit and credit cards at the Bergen Street subway station.

Scratch and steal
A 32-year-old man was arrested for mugging a woman on Centre Mall on June 18, police say.
The woman was between Henry and Clinton streets at 1:45 pm when the man choked and scratched her before taking her cellphone.
— **Melissa Goldin**

68TH PRECINCT
Bay Ridge–Dyker Heights
Everything but
A burglar made off with the actual kitchen sink from an Ovington Avenue home sometime between June 12 and June 15, police report.
The homeowner — who resides on Long Island — told cops she visited the house between Fifth and Sixth avenues at 10 am on June 12. When she returned three days later at 6 pm, she discovered the door busted down and the wash basin and some attached copper piping removed.

Pub flub
A lowlife lifted a woman's

purse at a popular Third Avenue watering hole on June 15, according to cops.

The victim said she was at the establishment between 75th and 76th streets at 2 am when she put her bag beneath a coat under the bar to go to the bathroom. When she returned, the pocketbook — holding her BlackBerry, designer shades, Galaxy phone, and iPod Touch — was gone.

No show

A crook heisted thousands in cash and jewelry and destroyed a flat-screen television at a house on 79th Street on June 19, authorities say.

The victims said she left her home between Sixth and Seventh avenues at 2 pm, and came back at 9:30 pm to find her door broken open and \$2,000 in cash, a pair of rings, and a pair of necklaces stolen — and the screen on her boob tube busted.

Fast and furious

A thiefjacked a car parked on 67th Street on June 21, according to police.

The auto's owner said her son left the sedan between Fourth and Fifth avenues at midnight, and returned 55 minutes later to see that the vehicle was gone.

— **Will Bredderman**

94TH PRECINCT
Greenpoint–Northside
On air
Two men were arrested and charged with robbery after they attacked a guy on Meeker Avenue on June 21.
The victim told police he was near Withers Street at 11:50 pm when two guys came up to him and one pointed what looked like a real gun at him.
“We won't shoot you if you clear your pockets” one of the guys said.
The victim handed over his wallet, iPhone, and headphones.
The two men ran away and were later picked up by police. The gun turned out to be an air gun, according to cops.

Stop sign
Police arrested group of teenagers who they say pulled a man off his moped, assaulted him, and tried to steal his phone on Jackson Street on June 16.
The 21-year-old victim told police he was riding his moped and was stopped near Humboldt Street at 11:40 pm when a guy grabbed him by the arm and threw him to the ground.
“Grab his phone,” the guy allegedly told his buddies.
As the victim was laying in the road, a car came up and nearly ran him over. The teens ran away without taking the phone, cops said.
The cops showed up and arrested the three teenagers after the man identified them.
The teens, who ranged in age from 14 to 17, were all charged with robbery.

False alarm
Four teenagers broke into a N. Third Street business and sprayed the place down with a fire extinguisher on June 18.
The owner of the business between Wythe Avenue and Berry Street told police that he caught the incident — which happened at 12:20 am — on surveillance tape.
The video shows the four young boys breaking the lock on the front door. They then walked into the hallway, grabbed the fire extinguisher, and sprayed all the walls with foam.
The boys then ran out without taking any property. So far, police have made no arrests.

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Champ aims for seven

Chestnut wants to beat frank record this July 4th

By Scott Hansen
for The Brooklyn Paper

Can anyone beat Joey “Jaws” Chestnut?

The six-time champion of Nathan’s Famous Hot Dog Eating Contest will look to defend his title and set a record of seven straight championships at Coney Island on the Fourth of July. He will also attempt to break his record of 68 frankfurters, which he set in 2009, and tied last year.



Out of the many men and women competing to become the new hot dog eating champion, only one — Matt “Mega Toad” Stonie — seems to have the resume to challenge Chestnut. Stonie will compete this week in the Boston Nathan’s qualifier for a chance to face Chestnut for the first time since 2011, when he was blasted 62–34.

On the women’s side, Sonya “The Black Widow” Thomas is looking for her third-straight title and to break her record of 45 dogs.

Festivities will begin at 9:30 am with a musical premiere that is promised to be “emotional and heart wrenching”, according to Nathan’s Famous Press contact George Shea, and followed by a “death-defying” magic act.

The women’s contest will begin at 11:30 am and the men’s at 12:30 pm. Contestants will eat as many hot dogs as they can in a 10 minute time span. The contest will be broadcast live on ESPN2. Admission is free and open to all.

Nathan’s Famous Hot Dog Eating Contest (Nathan’s Famous Restaurant - 1310 Surf Avenue, corner of Stillwell, Coney Island on July 4 at 11:30 am.)

Joey “Jaws” Chestnut ate 68 hot dogs in 2012.

Paulie loses in split decision

By Joseph Staszewski
The Brooklyn Paper

Paulie Malignaggi believes he should still be champion — but the judges said otherwise.



The Brooklyn native lost his WBA welterweight title to 23-year-old Adrian Broner in a 12-round split decision in front of a record boxing crowd of 11,461 at the Barclays Center on Saturday night. Broner became just the third fighter in history to win a belt in his first fight after jumping over a weight class.

But after the fight, Malignaggi told Showtimes’ Jim Gray that his history — and home field advantage — should have weighed in his favor.

“In my hometown, as the defending champion, I felt I should have got it,” the 32-year-old Malignaggi said. “He didn’t do enough to take the belt from the champion.”

And Malignaggi didn’t rule out boxing’s seedier side in handing Broner the win, falling just short of saying that judge Tom Schreck, who scored the fight 117–111 for Broner, was bought and paid for by Broner’s powerful manager, Al Haymon.

“I’m not really trying to say he really is in [his] pocket, but

“I think AB is pretty ordinary,” Malignaggi said.

The trash talking that littered the prefight build up carried over. As Broner landed hard clean punches he taunted Malignaggi by shaking his head and saying, “You can’t hit me.”

“It’s not about how many shots you throw it’s about how many shots you land,” Broner said. “I was landing the more effect shots, the bigger shots.”

Broner, who is now supposedly dating Malignaggi’s former girlfriend, brought her up again after the fight, sparking the former champion to come across the ring and get into his face.

“I beat Paulie,” Broner said. “I left with his belt and his girl.”

Malignaggi, who is also a commentator for Showtime, is open to a rematch, but isn’t sure if this is the last time he exits a ring as a fighter. He talked about how he no longer likes the work that goes into big fights. There was no talk of a formal retirement, but Malignaggi was obviously disheartened.

“We’ll see,” Malignaggi said. “I’ll see if I feel like training this way again for another training camp.”

Brooklyn native Paulie Malignaggi lost his WBA welterweight title to 23-year-old Adrian Broner in a 12-round split decision at the Barclays Center.

I do think he is a bit incompetent in what he is watching,” he said.

The other judges were split in their opinions of who won.

Judge Tom Miller had Malignaggi winning 115–113, and judge Glenn Feldman gave it to Broner, 115–113 and 117–111 respectively.

“The fight could have went either way,” Malignaggi said.

Broner, a champion in three different weight classes, landing 246 of 524 punches and connected on considerably

more power shots (214–94).

“I tip my hat to him,” Broner said. “He can take shot — a lot of them.”

Malignaggi put on the type of gutty performance that’s come to be expected of him in big fights. He admitted his older legs might have made a difference, saying Broner wouldn’t have beaten a 25-year-old version of himself. He never believed he was in danger of being knocked out by Broner, a Floyd Mayweather clone considered a big puncher. Mayweather was on hand to see the fight.



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Judge: State breaking law with LICH ER closure

By **Jaime Lutz**
The Brooklyn Paper

State officials broke the law when they shut down the emergency room to ambulances at Long Island College Hospital, says the judge who demanded the money-bleeding hospital continue to serve the community.

The state is in contempt of a temporary restraining order prohibiting the closure of the hospital, said borough Supreme Court Justice Johnny Lee Baynes in court last Wednesday when a hospital employee informed him of plans for the emergency room. The emergency room stopped accepting am-

bulances last Thursday despite the ruling.

This action by the state-run hospital could result in a fine or imprisonment for State University of New York administrators, according to Baynes, who modified his restraining order on Wednesday, demanding that the hospital maintain staffing at the hospital to the level it was in February, just before talks of its sale and closure went public.

Hospital officials wouldn't comment on whether the change at the emergency room defies the court order, but claimed the move was necessary because



Long Island College Hospital nurses Leontha Williams and Helena Twumasi came out in support of Long Island College Hospital at a rally on June 22.

the hospital doesn't have the staffing to handle the patients.

"The chief medical officer of all our hospitals has determined that patient care and safety cannot be ensured by continuing to send patients to that hospital," said hospital spokesman Robert Bellafiore.

Bellafiore claimed that many doctors left the institution after the State University of New York first announced its plan to close the hospital in February. Since that time, however, the state had reversed itself, instead trying to find a potential buyer to take over the institution.

This reversal was partially the result of hospital advocates's legal efforts, including the lawsuit that prompted the restraining order.

Bellafiore wouldn't say how many doctors and nurses have resigned in the past few months, but the hospital's chief medical officer said that there are resignations almost daily.

"We have seen voluntary resignations from the hospital's medical director, pharmacy department supervisors, the emergency room nurse manager, and our chief nursing officer and deputy chief nursing officer, as well as many other attending physicians and key personnel in information technology and other essential support areas," said Dr. Michael Lucchesi.

The court will convene to hear the State University of New York's case for diverting the ambulances on July 15 at the Adams Street Courthouse, according to Wednesday's modified restraining order.

A request for comment from Governor Cuomo, who appoints the State University leadership, was not returned by press time. But other elected officials, including Borough President Markowitz, said that the State University's actions clearly broke the judge's ruling.

It's not the first time hospital management has broken the law.

In March, Baynes ruled that leadership illegally held a secret meeting the day before it decided to close the money-losing Long Island College Hospital.

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addict who lives in Queens. "I cannot walk the streets and see people suffering. I can't stand to see people go to waste."

But neighbors within a block of where Bou sets up his "Jesus is Lord" sign say he's the one causing the suffering by blasting his gospel and guitar playing from early in the morning until the evening every Saturday and Sunday.

Misiak said he tried talking to Bou, but the preacher responded by quoting the Bible. Misaik once handed the preacher a note that said "Stop being so selfish. Your right isn't the only right," but that had no effect.

Misiak then tried calling the police to report the noise violation, but claims cops usually show up several hours later, ask him to turn it down, and leave. A few minutes after the cops pull away, Bou has the volume back up to 11.

A few weeks ago, Misiak started a petition, and quickly gathered 65 signatures from neighbors who say Bou needs to turn it town a notch or seven. He said he would have kept collecting, but claims he was threatened by Bou's followers.

"I was told to hide my face or I'd regret it on blood day," said Misiak.

The noise ordinance in New York City is complex. There are rules governing bars and car stereos, but there is not a law that addresses amplifiers set up on street corners.

Bou said he will not be shushed.

"The people who don't want me here are godless, atheist hipsters living in immorality," said Bou. "They come from good homes and they've never been poor, so they don't know what it's like to need god."

Other neighbors say they aren't only concerned by the volume of his sermons, but the tone.

"He preaches a lot of negative, hateful things," said Elani Myers, who lives across the street from where Bou preaches. "It crosses the line and makes me not want to walk by that corner."

Meyers claimed that last Easter, Bou and a group of followers put on a particularly graphic reenactment of the Passion of Jesus, with Bou, who usually has a large wooden cross nearby, playing the Nazarene.

"They were beating him and pushing him down. They did it over and over," said Myers. "It was very uncomfortable."

Misiak said he will continue to work to find a way to get Bou to quiet down.

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Do you feel lucky: Actors Liz Barkan and Len Rella star in a play inspired by video games such as “Fallout” at the Williamsburg Brick Theater this July.

Pip-Boy included

Video game theater festival goes for the apocalyptic

By Colin Mixson
The Brooklyn Paper

It’s funny because you can always press reset.

A novel play inspired by the post-apocalyptic “Fallout” and dystopian “Bioshock” video games—which is coming to the Brick Theater in July, as a part of the Game Play Festival—sticks to its dark source material and has a morbid sense of humor.

“They’re going to die, as far as you can tell, but we try to find a dark humor in this setting,” said playwright and video game

THEATER

“That Cute Radioactive Couple: A Post-Apocalyptic Comedy” is playing at Brick Theater [579 Metropolitan Ave. between Lorimer Street and Union Avenue in Williamsburg, (718) 285-3863, bricktheater.com] July 10, 9 pm, July 13 7 pm, and July 27, 5:30 pm.

critic Charles Battersby, of the characters in the play. “Amusing things can still happen in the apocalypse.”

Battersby’s play “That Cute Radioactive

Couple: A Post-Apocalyptic Comedy,” focuses on Ray, an apocalypse prepper whose fallout shelter is ready for anything—that is anything, but love.

Not counting on getting married, Ray built his fallout shelter for one.

The writer and director first lifted the curtain on his video game-themed production in Boston at the Penny Arcade Expo, and previous incarnations were performed at last year’s Game Play Theater Festival.

This year’s rendition, however, has been expanded from a 15-minute skit to an hour-long performance, although the extra content doesn’t come cheap.

In order to pay his actors—and not starve—Battersby has resorted to the internet revenue generator, kickstarter.com.

“No one’s in danger of not getting paid,” Battersby explained. “The Kickstarter is to make sure I don’t have to choose between paying my actors and buying that loaf of bread I’ve been eyeing.”

But if he doesn’t make his goal, don’t worry. Battersby reckons he’s logged about 400 hours playing “Fallout New Vegas,” where he’s learned to scour the wasteland for nourishing edibles, he said.



Feverish festivities: Comedian Leslie Goshko’s tribute to John Travolta’s “Stayin’ Alive” encourages fans of disco to warm their legs and poke the air.

Disco’s stayin’ alive

Party is a tribute to Travolta movie

By Jaime Lutz
The Brooklyn Paper

The John Travolta disco movie “Saturday Night Fever” is a celebrated Brooklyn classic, but its lesser-seen follow-up “Stayin’ Alive” was called the worst sequel ever by Entertainment Weekly.

That doesn’t bother comedian Leslie Goshko, who is hosting a party at Union Hall in honor of

the disco film’s 30-year anniversary.

“This is solely based on my nerd-dom for this movie,” she said. “I’ve been obsessed with this movie for years.”

In case you’re wondering, that love is not ironic—though she doesn’t blame people who like the movie for the pure kitsch factor of seeing an in-his-prime Travolta all oiled up.

The party will feature a live band

PARTY

“Stayin’ Alive 30 Year Tribute Party” at Union Hall [702 Union St. at Fifth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 638-4400, www.unionhallny.com] July 10, doors 7:30 pm, show 8 pm, \$8.

—the StalloneTones—playing songs from the movie, a dance troupe, trivia, prizes, and lots of film clips. It won’t, however, ac-

tually feature a screening of the full movie.

But never fear—those who haven’t seen the movie will be given a fun recap in the first ten to fifteen minutes. Basically, Goshko said, the plot is that John Travolta’s character from Saturday Night Fever has finally moved to Manhattan, but he’s frustrated that his dance career hasn’t gone anywhere.

To find out whether or not he finally gets to Broadway, readers will have to see the movie. But for Goshko, the message is clear—and from the source.

After she organized this party, she got a letter in the mail from John Travolta himself. It was a signed headshot of him with one message:

“Dreams do come true.”

MARKET

Rockin’ hair

Dance like you’re wearing blue suede shoes.

A burlesque performer named Bettina May is bringing back the gee-golly good old days of the ’50s at a Rockabilly festival for fans of the era like herself who find modern life to be a let down.



Photo by Bettina May

“Growing up, I would watch ‘I Love Lucy’ and ‘Leave It To Beaver’ and I thought that’s what life would be like as an adult,” said May. “When I grew up and everyone was wearing sweatpants and pulling their hair back, I was very disappointed.”

May has done a good job of creating her own reality. She dons floor-length silk dresses, wears Marilyn Monroe-hairstyles, and dances to music such as Andrews Sisters recordings.

“I love the music. It was like the punk rock of its day,” said May. “I love expressing that through my burlesque performances.”

May will give one of her popular burlesque performances at the Second Annual Rockabilly Night Market at SRB Brooklyn in July. The event will also include a handful of rockabilly bands, a car show, a pinup photobooth, and a record fair.

Night Market organizer Shien Lee said that the success of the festival shows that the styles of the ’50s are back—or never left.

“The ’50s have their own elegance but also a sense of rebelliousness,” said Lee. “It was the birth of rock and roll, so it meant a loss of innocence.”

May, who is also obsessed with vintage clothing, hairstyles, and performances, travels the country teaching workshops on how to look vintage.

The Rockabilly Night Market at SRB Brooklyn [177 Second Ave. at 14th Street, in Gowanus, (718) 499-1700, www.srbbrooklyn.com], July 4, 7 pm, \$10–\$15. —Danielle Furfaro

MUSEUM

Past tracks

Transit fanatics will get to travel to the 1930s—and to Coney Island—in an 80-year-old trains from the Independent Subway System this June 29.

The trip into the past and into the People’s Play-ground comes courtesy of the New York City Transit Museum in Downtown, which has been running a series of summer “Nostalgia Rides” aboard antique trains for years.

The museum said that the ridership has increased dramatically during the last few commutes into transportation history.

“They started as more of an insider’s treat for train buffs, but in recent years they’ve expanded into popular family-friendly events for all ages,” said spokesman Eli Rumpf.

Voyagers will get to watch a slideshow about the impact mass transit has had on Coney Island before boarding the vintage cars at the museum, which is located in the defunct Court Street station—and which still has a live third rail. The cars will roll out from the museum toward Sodom by the Sea and merge onto the main train lines, taking a roundabout route that will give riders time to fully check out the trains—which ran in a time before air conditioning, plastic seats, and public announcement systems.

The Independent Subway System—popularly called the IND—opened in 1932 as the first publicly-owned underground train network, designed to operate faster and more efficiently than the private Interborough Rapid Transit and Brooklyn-Manhattan Transit lines. The cars came equipped with overhead paddle fans, wicker benches, incandescent rather than fluorescent lights, and rolling signs to inform commuters of the stops. They were also longer than modern subway cars, had four doors on each side instead of three, and came with much worse shock absorbers.

“There is a lot of jostling,” said Rumpf.

The Nostalgia Ride cars are also outfitted with classic 1930s advertising, and their color palette—much broader than the blues and grays of the latest generation of trains—has been fully restored.

Nostalgia Ride to Coney Island at the New York City Transit Museum [130 Livingston St. between Schermerhorn Street and Boerum Place in Downtown, (718) 694-1600, www.mta.info/mta/museum]. June 29, 10 am–5 pm, \$50 —Will Bredderman



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June 28



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SATURDAY

June 29

Well being

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SUNDAY

June 30



Warrior woman

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MONDAY

July 1

Hearing Hitchcock

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WEDNESDAY

July 3



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FRI, JUNE 28

SUPERHERO DAY: Calling all superheroes to come on down and celebrate an action-packed day of activities including celebrating the Man of Steel's birthday. Free with museum admission. 10 am and 11:30 am d. Brooklyn Children's Museum [145 Brooklyn Ave. at St. Marks Avenue in Crown Heights, (718) 735-4400], www.brooklynkids.org.

ART, 'BASED ON A TRUE STORY...': Pierogi is pleased to present an exhibition of new work by Daniel Zeller, in which the artist explores nuances of texture and structure which develop into powerful extensions of perceived reality using graphite or ink and acrylic on paper. Open Tuesday through Sunday. Free. 11 am–6 pm. Pierogi [177 N. 9 St. between W. John Street and W. Hoffman Avenue in Williamsburg, (718) 599-2144], www.pierogi2000.com.

FREE BEACH PARTIES ALL SUMMER LONG: Join Commander Rican Vargas and his famed Coney Island Dancers for free outdoor Boardwalk parties all summer long, with DJs spinning house, disco, soul, and funk. Free. Noon. Coney Island Boardwalk [1001 Boardwalk W, at W. 10th Street in Coney Island, (347) 496-2032], www.coneyislanddancers.com.

RIDE THE CAROUSEL: Yeah it's open; the beautiful 101 year old ride is up and running for little children to enjoy. \$2 per ride. 12–5 pm. Prospect Park Audubon Center [Enter park at Lincoln Road and Ocean Avenue in Prospect Park], www.prospectpark.org/audubon.

ART, 'THINGS THAT FELL OUT OF MY POCKET': Associated Gallery presents "Things That Fell Out of My Pocket" by Steven Charles, a body of painted and sculpted works showcasing the use of a diverse range of materials, from synthetic fur to corks. Free. 1–6 pm. Associated Gallery [566 Johnson Ave. between Stewart and Gardner avenues in Bushwick, (201) 953-4062], www.associated-gallery.tumblr.com.

BLOOMING NATURALIST: Make your own journal, learn how to use binoculars and field guides. Free. 2–3 pm. Prospect Park Audubon Center [Enter park at Lincoln Road and Ocean Avenue in Prospect Park, (718) 287-3400], www.prospectpark.org/audubon.

TOT SHABBAT: Join Bay Ridge Jewish Center's young families with children aged 4 and younger to bring in the Sabbath with songs, stories, dancing, and rhythmic instruments. \$5 (Free for members). 5 pm. Bay Ridge Jewish Center [405 81st St. between Third and Fourth avenues in Bay Ridge, (718) 836-3103], www.bayridgejewishcenter.org.

THEATER, LADY CAESAR: A theater company has made one slight change from the norm in its production of Julius Caesar, operating under the theory that a Julius by any other gender would smell as sweet — and probably even sweeter. Free. 7 pm. Carroll Park [Carroll Street



Reaching for the heavens: Sujata Mohapatra will be performing Odissi dance, which is a 200 year old art form, at Dancefest India in Downtown in June 29.

between Court and Smith streets), smithstreetstage.org.

TIM BERNIE: More Snakoil. \$15. 8 pm. Roulette [509 Atlantic Ave. in Boerum Hill, (917) 267-0368], roulette.org/events.

DANCE, DOWN SYNDROME BENEFIT PERFORMANCE: Triskelion Arts' Aldous Theater in Williamsburg, Brooklyn will host the three-day Benefit Dance Performance "Let the Angels In" from June 28 to June 30. \$18, \$15 students and seniors. 8 pm. Triskelion Arts' Aldous Theater [118 N. 11th St. 3rd Floor, between Berry Street and Wythe Avenues in Williamsburg, (516) 361-7263], www.alexandersangels.org/id90.html.

ENTERTAINMENT, POLISH AMERICAN FOLK DANCE: They're throwing themselves a birthday party with DJs, games, and raffles. Suggested gift/donation \$10 [Hot Buffet & Cash Bar]. 8:30 pm. Warsaw [261 Driggs Ave. at Eckford Street in Greenpoint, (718) 387-0505], www.polishnation-alhome.com/Warsaw%20Navigation%20Frame.html.

FOLK AND AMERICANA MUSIC: Daniel Wayne to present an evening of Folk and Americana music. Free. 9 pm. The Way Station [683 Washington Ave. between St. Marks Avenue and Prospect Place in Prospect Heights, (718) 627-4949], www.waystationbk.com.

MUSIC, GOLDEN ERA OF HIP HOP: Three of hip-hop's finest from Brooklyn and Queens will be on the turntables spinning classic Golden Era music. Featured DJs include Brooklyn's own Talib Kweli alongside DJ Marley Marl (Queens) and Tribe Called Quest's DJ Ali Shaheed Muhammad (Brooklyn). \$15-\$20. 10 pm. Srb Brooklyn [177 Second Ave. at 14th Street in Park Slope, (718) 499-1700], www.srbbrooklyn.com.

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DANCE, DANCEFEST INDIA'S 'SACRED VISION': A radiant evening of ancient India featuring world renowned dancers such as Sujata Mohapatra (Odissi) extolling classic works. \$20-\$30. 7:30 pm. Kumble Theater at Long Island University [DeKalb and Flatbush avenues in Downtown, (718) 488-1624], www.brooklyn.liu.edu/KumbleTheater.

WORKSHOP, EMBROIDERY: You will learn standard embroidery stitches, design transfer techniques, and leave with a one of kind window treatment, and the inspiration to embroider everything. \$25. 11:30 am–1:30 pm. Build It Green! NYC Gowanus [69 Ninth St. in Gowanus, (718) 725-8925], www.bignyc.org/workshop.

WATER, WATER EVERYWHERE!: Introduction to bird watching, animal encounter, and a discovery tour. Look for the organge tent for a fun-filled activities. Free. Noon–4:30 pm. Prospect Park Audubon Center [Enter park at Lincoln Road and Ocean Avenue in Prospect Park, (718) 287-3400], www.prospectpark.org/audubon.

PINOCCHIO: For children ages 3 years old and up. The classic story comes to life on the puppet stage. \$9 (\$8 children). 12:30 and 2:30 pm. Puppetworks [338 Sixth Ave. at Fourth Street in Park Slope, (718) 965-3391], www.puppetworks.org.

HISTORY IN YOUR HANDS: Children learn how to process wool into yarn, card, spin and use a drop spindle and even make a felt ball to take home. \$3 (Children free). 1–2 pm. Lefferts Historic Homestead [452 Flatbush Ave. between Empire Boulevard and Eastern Parkway in Park Slope, (718) 789-2822], www.prospectpark.org.

LADYBUG RELEASE: Celebrate the

SUN, JUNE 30

MUSIC, AT THE SAINT CATHERINE: David Lackner is a multi-instrumentalist, producer, and composer of electro-acoustic music. He currently studies North Indian vocal music. 9 pm. The Saint Catherine [660 Washington Ave. at Bergen Street in Prospect Heights, (347) 663-9316].

DANCEFEST INDIA FOR KIDS: An experience for the whole family at the Brooklyn Children's Museum featuring live traditional dance, interactive segment and henna hand painting. 1 pm. Brooklyn Children's Museum [145 Brooklyn Ave. at St. Marks Avenue in Crown Heights, (718) 735-4400], www.brooklynkids.org.

LADYBUG RELEASE: Celebrate the end of the school year and help release hundreds of ladybugs into the garden. Free with museum admission. 1:30 pm. Brooklyn Children's Museum [145 Brooklyn Ave. at St. Marks Avenue in Crown Heights, (718) 735-4400], www.brooklynkids.org.


SINGLES, FRIEND GROUP: Group forming for women 48 to 65 to go to movies, lunch, dinner, shows and trips. Meet each week. No walk-ins. Reservations a must. 2 pm. El Greco Dinner [Sheepshead Bay Rd. and Emmons Avenue in Sheepshead Bay, (718) 336-7908].

FUNDRAISER, CHARITY GALA: Omni

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Hands on head: Williamsburg eatery Fatty Cue serves up half a pig's head, and encourages you to get some pork grease on your fingers.

It's a pig-headed dish

Williamsburg Fatty 'Cue serves up the porks face

By Will Levitt
for The Brooklyn Paper

Only the strong-willed survive this style of eating.

A pig head served on a platter, snout and all, might seem more fit for a medieval feast than a night out with friends in Williamsburg. But this audacious dish at the recently reopened Fatty 'Cue on South Sixth Street allows feasting diners to indulge their carnivorous side in a mess of smoke, meat, and sweet, sticky sauce.

Pork makes appearances throughout Fatty 'Cue's menu, as 'Cue bacon (\$14), maple glazed pork shoulder (\$18), and even pig ear with sea urchin (\$9). But it's the half pig head (\$32, easily serves 4), dry rubbed, brine and smoke roasted, that showcases this restaurant's porcine ingenuity and takes the idea of "nose-to-tail" eating to a whole new level.

The first thing your server will bring to your table is a bowl filled not with sauce or sides but rather a pile of rubber kitchen gloves, which diners are encouraged to use once the pig head arrives. I like that Fatty 'Cue embraces the eat-with-your-hands attitude required for this kind of dining, but I found the gloves a bit alarming, more fit for a hospital than a dining

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Fatty 'Cue [91 S. Sixth St. between Berry Street and Bedford Avenue in Williamsburg, (718) 599-3090, www.fattycue.com].

room. If I'm going whole hog, a bit of pork grease on my fingers is just fine.

Whether you choose to don the gloves or not, the half pig head arrives steaming hot, accompanied by sliced pickles, a scallion salad, a stellar, smoky sauce of fish sauce and palm sugar, and a pile of pale

white bao, the steamed buns commonly found in China. Which part or parts of the head you choose to eat are up to you. Everything from jowls (a favorite), to eyes, brain, and ears are up for grabs and perfectly good fodder for a true pork adventurer. The meat is smoky, fatty in many parts and laced with the sticky sauce, and best eaten in bits accompanied by small cracklings of the pork skin.

Along with the sauce and pickles, the various cuts of meat make for some of the best bao in Brooklyn. And with this dish, you can take credit for having a hand in it. Because this time, quite literally, you did.

Welcome to the flavor factory

Scoops shop offers frozen creative combinations

By Samantha Lim
for The Brooklyn Paper

Sausage ice cream anyone?

A new shop on Kent Avenue called OddFellows Ice Cream Co. is offering a variety of flavors such as the soothing Tahitian vanilla and the savory chorizo caramel.

"Some of our flavor profiles are a leap of faith and we want people to try new things," said Sam Mason, the head chef at OddFellows. "So we'll put it out there and hopefully people like it. If so, great. If not, there's a long list of other flavors to try."

Flavors include a popular cornbread, followed by the maple bacon pecan and the buttermilk blueberry honey. The shop also sells sorbets, with the lychee cilantro sorbet proving to be a hit. And surprises are not limited to customers as Mohan says people enjoyed the burnt caramel far more than even he expected.

The sweet shop is owners' Mohan and Holiday Kumar's first venture in the food industry, but Mason is no stranger to food operations — or culinary creativity. An ex-pastry chef at Wd-50, Mason presently co-owns Empire Mayo and Lady Jay's Dive Bar in Brooklyn.

"If I get an idea, I keep playing with that ingredient and find a way to make it work with ice cream," said Mason.

The establishment's quirky name has a few meanings, referring to old fraternal organizations dedicated to

DINING

OddFellows Ice Cream Co. [175 Kent Ave. between N. Third and N. Fourth streets in Williamsburg, (347) 599-0556, www.oddfellowsnyc.com].



Photo by Stefano Giovannini

Cool couple: Owners Holiday and Mohan Kumar of OddFellows Ice Cream are hoping you'll love their shop's inventive flavors, such as their recent Queso Manchego Pineapple.

helping the community and also to the strangeness of the shop's flavors, said Holiday.

"We wanted to do our part to help our neighbors, and decided to partner with the Food Bank for New York City to donate 5 cents of every serving to feed the hungry," she said. "We liked the way 'OddFellows'

sounded. To me, it evoked images of carnivals and circus freaks, which I thought would be a fun aesthetic to incorporate."

The decor is also fun and wacky. Red-and-white striped wallpaper and colorful ephemera augment the shop's jolly vibe. The toy monkey grinning down at customers from

one of the shelves is OddFellows' unofficial mascot.

"I named him Clyde," said Holiday.

"Mohan had a couple of harrowing experiences with monkeys. When he visited India as a child, they snatched ice cream right out of his hand on more than one occasion."

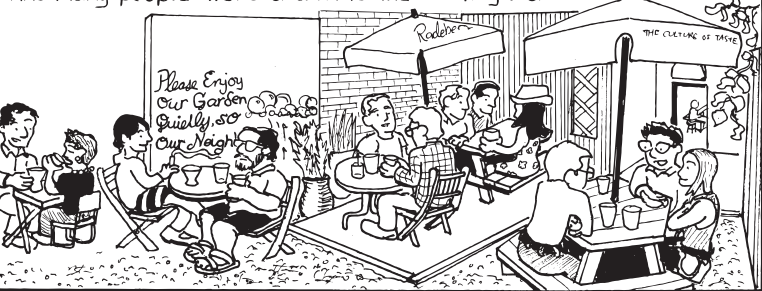
BAR SCRAWL

By Bill Roudy

I felt bad for the musician at Bar Chord last week, who had to vintage guitars for sale compete with Game 7 of the NBA finals.



And many people were drawn to the back yard:



Bands play most nights - and usually there's no game on.



Bar Chord's a fun spot - though the cocktails need some work:



Bar Chord [1008 Cortelyou Rd., between Coney Island Avenue and Stratford Road in Ditmas Park. (347) 240-6033. www.barchordnyc.com]. Open Mon–Fri, 4 pm–2 am; Sat, Sat, 2 pm–2 am.



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Weekend reads

Local book shops give us their picks for hungry book worms

Here’s the recommended reading of the week from the folks at Word, BookMark Shoppe, and Greenlight.

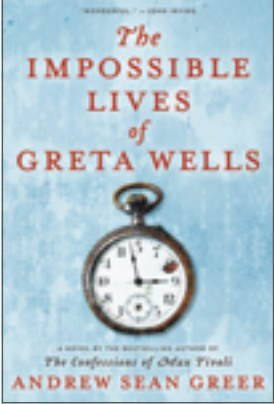
WORD’s pick
“**The Shining Girls**” by **Lauren Beukes**: I don’t read a lot of horror. But when Lauren Beukes writes something, I read it. She’s smart, she’s political, and she’s one of those writers who manages to turn the world on its ear while making it look easy. Her newest novel, *The Shining Girls*, just came out and wow. It’s a serial killer story, with time travel, set in Chicago between the 1930s and the 1990s. It’s complicated and dark and gory and almost gave me nightmares, and I feel like if you have a beach visit or a plane ride coming up, you need it.

Jenn Northington, *WORD* [126 Franklin St. at Milton Street in Greenpoint, (718) 383–0096, www.wordbrooklyn.com/].

BookMark’s pick
“**Engagements**” by **J. Courtney Sullivan**: I loved each story and each set of characters as much as the next in this very clever novel about the revolution of relationships and marriage told through different characters beginning in the ‘40s to present. Readers follow a beautiful diamond as it moves from relationship to relationship. We see the first divorce, a mistress who leaves her husband, a woman who refuses to sign a marriage certificate to prove her family is whole, and finally a man working his hardest to prove to his father-in-law that he was good enough to marry into the family. Clever, engaging and enlightening.

Bina Valenzano, co-owner, *The BookMark Shoppe* [8415 Third Ave. between 84th and 85th streets in Bay Ridge, (718) 833–5115, www.bookmark-shoppe.com/].

Greenlight’s pick
“**The Impossible Lives of Greta Wells**” by **Andrew Sean Greer**: Andrew Sean Greer (“*The Confessions of Max Tivoli*”) has a knack for finding the beating human heart of a fantastical story. His new novel, set in Manhattan’s West Village, engages the fantasy of living alternate versions of your life: Greta Wells finds herself



Got it covered: These are what book sellers are reading.

living in 1918, 1941 and 1985. What a woman (or man) could be and do in these eras defines how her relationships and roles play out, and seeing what version of herself she might choose is as fascinating as the historical details that define the city. Romantic, accessible, and thought-

provoking, it’s a great summer read. Andrew Sean Greer reads at Greenlight July 17. *Jessica Stockton Bagnulo, Greenlight Bookstore* [686 Fulton St. between S. Elliott Place and S. Portland Avenue in Fort Greene, (718) 246–0200, www.greenlightbookstore.com/].

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Ensemble is hosting a drive to raise funds to support the ensemble’s upcoming 31st season of the Brooklyn Conservatory of Music and the College of Staten Island, featuring a variety of musical genres, dancing and refreshments. \$70 (\$40 individual, \$25 for students). 4 pm. Outdoors [690 E. 18th St. between Foster Avenue and Glenwood Road in Flatbush, (718) 859–8649].

READING, LISA JARNOT: Lisa Jarnot’s latest book “*Joie de Vivre: Selected Poems 1992-2012*” (City Lights, Spotlight, May 2013) traces her twenty-year evolution to becoming one of the most prominent post-Language poets. 7 pm. BookCourt [163 Court St. between Pacific and Dean streets in Cobble Hill, (718) 875–3677], www.bookcourt.org.

HUEY LEWIS: Cover band does Huey Lewis and the News songs in their own punk style. \$10. 8 pm. Union Hall [702 Union St. at Fifth Avenue in Park Slope, (718) 638–4400], www.unionhallny.com.

SALES AND MARKETS

FLEA MARKETS: A fun filled afternoon where families can bargain hunt, clothes, memorabilia, and much more. **Free.** 8 am – 3 pm. Richmond hill [117-09 Hillside Ave. in Richmond Hill, (347) 709–7661], www.richmondhill-fleamarket.com.

MON, JULY 1

KID’S YOGA AND ARTS CAMP: Bright Lights Kid’s Yoga Camp will combine yoga with art, dance, hip hop, and acting for a week of fun. \$300. Prospect Lefferts Garden, (646) 269–3537.

FORT GREENE TENNIS LESSONS: Chase, sponsor of CityParks Tennis and Lacoste provide lessons to children 6 to 16. The lessons promote physical fitness, and make the sport freely available in a fun relaxed atmosphere. **Free.** 9 am–noon. Fort Greene Park Visitor Center [Enter park at Myrtle Avenue and Washington Park in Fort Greene, (718) 722–3218].

WILLIAMSBURG TENNIS LESSONS: Chase, sponsor of CityParks Tennis and Lacoste provide lessons to children 6 to 16. The lessons promote physical fitness, and make the sport freely available in a fun relaxed atmosphere. **Free.** 9 am–noon. McCarren Park (Bedford Ave. between Lorimer and N. 12th Street in Williamsburg).

SHEEPSHEAD BAY TENNIS LESSONS: Chase, sponsor of CityParks Tennis and Lacoste provide lessons to children 6 to 16. The lessons promote physical fitness, and make the sport freely available in a fun relaxed atmosphere. **Free.** 9 am–noon. Kelly Playground (Ave. S and E. 14th Street in Sheepshead Bay).

CONY ISLAND TENNIS LESSONS: Chase, sponsor of CityParks Tennis and Lacoste provide lessons to children 6 to 16. The lessons promote physical fitness, and make the sport freely available in a fun relaxed atmosphere. **Free.** 9 am–noon. Kaiser Park (Neptune Ave. and W. 27th Street in Coney Island).

MARINE PARK TENNIS LESSONS: Chase, sponsor of CityParks Tennis and Lacoste provide lessons to children 6 to 16. The lessons promote physical fitness, and



AP / Paul Hawthorne

Power of love: Believe it or not, there’s a cover band for this guy — who is none other than Huey Lewis of Huey Lewis and the News. June 30.

make the sport freely available in a fun relaxed atmosphere. **Free.** 9 am–noon. Marine Park (Ave. S and E. 32nd Street in Marine Park).

BUSHWICK CITYPARKS GOLF: Children 6 to 16 learn how to play golf. **Free.** 9:30 am–noon. Herbert Von King Park (Marcy Ave. and Highland Blvd. in Bushwick).

BAY RIDGE TENNIS LESSONS: Chase, sponsor of CityParks Tennis and Lacoste provide lessons to children 6 to 16. The lessons promote physical fitness, and make the sport freely available in a fun relaxed atmosphere. **Free.** 1–4 pm. McKinley Park (Ft. Hamilton Ave. and Bay Ridge Parkway in Bay Ridge).

ENTERTAINMENT, THE WILLIAMSBURG SPELLING BEE: From “broccoli” to “triskaidekaphobia,” go test out your spelling in a bar backroom filled with smart people and beer. **Free.** 7:30 pm. Pete’s Candy Store [709 Lorimer St. at Richardson Street in Williamsburg, (718) 302–3770], www.petescandystore.com.

TUES, JULY 2

BENSONHURST TENNIS LESSONS: Chase, sponsor of CityParks Tennis and Lacoste provide lessons to children 6 to 16. The lessons promote physical fitness, and make the sport freely available in a fun relaxed atmosphere. **Free.** 9 am–noon. Leif Ericson Park (67th St. and Eighth Avenue in Bensonhurst).

PROSPECT LEFFERTS GARDENS TENNIS LESSONS: Chase, sponsor of CityParks Tennis and Lacoste provide lessons to children 6 to 16. The lessons promote physical fitness, and make the sport freely available in a fun relaxed atmosphere. **Free.** 9 am–noon. Prospect Park (Coney Island Ave. and Parkside Avenue in Prospect Lefferts Gardens).

CITYPARKS GOLF: Children 6 to 16 learn how to play golf. **Free.** 9:30 am–noon. Marine Park (Ave. S and E. 32nd Street in Marine Park).

TRACK AND FIELD: Cityparks provides children 5–16 learn the basics of the sports from hurdles to relay races to long jump, shot put and javelin throw. **Free.** 9:30

am to noon. Kaiser Park (Neptune Ave. and W. 29th Street in Coney Island).

SEE IT BIG: Grab your microscope and examine tiny things and make them big. For children 4 years and older. Free with museum admission. 11 am. Brooklyn Children’s Museum [145 Brooklyn Ave. at St. Marks Avenue in Crown Heights, (718) 735–4400], www.brooklynkids.org.

TRY-IT-TUESDAYS: Children 5 years and under learn about art, science and language in fun ways. Free with museum admission. 11:30 am. Brooklyn Children’s Museum [145 Brooklyn Ave. at St. Marks Avenue in Crown Heights, (718) 735–4400], www.brooklynkids.org.

KAYAKING WORKSHOP: Be the captain of your own boat and learn paddling skills in the calm waters of Jamaica Bay. 30 minute sessions. **Free.** 5–7:30 pm. Canarsie Pier (Rockaway Parkway and Seaview Avenue in Canarsie), www.nycgovparks.org.
READING, BOHEMIAN HIGHWAY: “*Claire Dewitt and the Bohemian Highway*” is book two of Sara Gran’s series of detective thrillers. **Free.** 7 pm. Power-House Arena [37 Main St. at Water Street in DUMBO, (718) 666–3049], www.powerhouse-arena.com.

SALES AND MARKETS

SIDEWALK SALE: New and used items. Flea Market. **Free.** 10 am–4 pm. Guardian Angel Church [Ocean Parkway and Oceanview Avenue in Sheepshead Bay, (718) 907–3478].

WED, JULY 3

LADY LIBERTY: Celebrate the holidays and learn all about our Lady of the Harbor. Free with museum admission. 11:30 am and 2:30 pm. Brooklyn Children’s Museum [145 Brooklyn Ave. at St. Marks Avenue in Crown Heights, (718) 735–4400], www.brooklynkids.org.

THURS, JULY 4

LADY LIBERTY: Celebrate the Fourth of July and visit the historic location. **Free.** 11 am. The Old Stone House [Third St. be-

tween Fourth and Fifth avenues in Park Slope, (718) 768–31905], www.theoldstonehouse.org.

INDEPENDENCE DAY: Celebrate the country’s 237th birthday by picking up a quill pen and singing your “John Hancock” on a reproduction of the Declaration of Independence and make a fancy plumed hat while you are at it. \$3. 1–4 pm. Lefferts Historic Homestead [452 Flatbush Ave. between Empire Boulevard and Eastern Parkway in Park Slope, (718) 789–2822], www.prospect-park.org.

BLOOMING NATURALIST: Make your own journal, learn hot to use binoculars and field guides. **Free.** 2–3 pm. Prospect Park Audubon Center [Enter park at Lincoln Road and Ocean Avenue in Prospect Park, (718) 287–3400], www.prospectpark.org/audubon.

ANIMAL ENCOUNTER: Learn all about Snappy the turtle. **Free.** 2–2:30 pm. Prospect Park Audubon Center [Enter park at Lincoln Road and Ocean Avenue in Prospect Park, (718) 287–3400], www.prospectpark.org/audubon.

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FRI, JULY 5

MUSIC, EMMANUEL MAY PAZAVEKMI: Hot new rock and roll trio will play live at Freddy’s Bar in the South Slope. **Free.** 8 pm. Freddy’s Bar [627 Fifth Ave. between 17th and 18th streets in Greenwood Heights, (718) 768–0131], www.freddysbar.com.

MADAGASCAR 3: Join in for this installment of Marty and the penguins. **Free.** 8 pm. Maria Hernandez Park [Knickerbocker Ave. and Suydam St. in Bushwick, (718) 965–8935], www.nycgovparks.org.

SAT, JULY 6

FOOD TRUCKS: All Brooklyn line up of vendors. 11 am–5 pm. Barclays Center [620 Atlantic Ave. at Pacific Street in Prospect Heights, (917) 618–6100], <https://www.barclayscenter.com>.

FILMS, BELLEVILLE BABY: It’s easy to block out memories that hurt us. It’s fascinating to watch someone pulled back in, as with this intimate documentary “*Belleville Baby*,” about an ex-convict and his long lost lover. \$13. 8 pm. Old American Can Factory [232 Third St. in Gowanus, (718) 417–7362], rooftopfilms.com/2013/schedule/belleville-baby.

MUSIC, MAD BEATS, CRAZY STYLES: The Martinez Brothers bring house music back to MoMA PS1’s Warm Up July 6. \$20 advance. 5 pm. Output [74 Wythe Ave. in Williamsburg, www.outputclub.com].

MUSIC, HOT SUMMER NIGHTS: On Stage at Kingsborough presents the Brooklyn Community Wind Ensemble, conducted by Ray Wheeler, who kick off the Hot Summer Nights series with its musical tribute to Independence Day. **Free.** 8 pm. On Stage at Kingsborough [2001 Oriental Blvd. at Oxford Street in Manhattan Beach, (718) 368–5596], www.onstageatkingsborough.org.

SALES AND MARKETS
BAY RIDGE GREENMARKET: 8 am–3 pm. See Saturday, June 29.



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Thousands turn out for Smith Street fest

By **Natalie Musumeci**
The Brooklyn Paper

Smith Street bustled with handcrafters, independent designers, renowned restaurateurs, eclectic artisans, and an estimated 50,000 frolickers on June 22 during the annual Funday Sunday.

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zens anymore.”

The ruling affects the finances of married gay Brooklynites, who’ll now be able to file joint tax returns come April 15 — a fact that hit home with many revelers.

“There are all these little things you take for granted, but they are actually important,” said Fort Greene resident Carl Winfield, who married his fiancé shortly after it became legal to do so in New York two years ago. “It’ll be interesting to see how poor I am compared to him.”

Many same-sex couples who live in Brooklyn say the lack of marriage equality in other parts of the country make it hard for them to move elsewhere, and the court’s ruling, which strikes down a federal law that defined marriage as a union between one male and one female, makes them hopeful that same-sex marriage will soon be legal in every state in the union.

“It reminds us that we have a lot of work to do in other areas,” said Gowanus resident Megan Collum. “We still have not achieved full equality.”

Collum said she and her girlfriend have considered marriage, but they realized that if they did get married, they would lose all their marriage benefits if they ever left Gowanus to go back to their hometowns in Texas, one of the 37 states where same-sex marriage still is not legal. Now, that’s not the case.

JUMP...

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two years later. In its heyday, jumpers would drift to the ground strapped to parachutes held open with metal rings and guided by wires. The tower saw its last leaper in 1965, and became a city landmark in 1988.

The eight-block-long extravaganza ran from Bergen to Union streets along Brooklyn’s famed restaurant row, which bisects Carroll Gardens, Cobble Hill, and Boerum Hill. Fish lovers went up against each other in a pickled herring-eating contest with grub supplied by Shelsky’s Smoked Fish. Meanwhile, booze lovers got their drink on at neighborhood pubs like Ceol and Angry Wade’s, both of which provided live music.

More than 50 local businesses participated in the summertime event, which highlights all that Smith Street has to offer and even brings in craft vendors from Rhode Island and Massachusetts.

“There are no tube socks, no T-shirts, or \$2 jewelry [for sale] here,” said a laughing Bette Stoltz, director of the South Brooklyn Local Development Corporation, which sponsors the street fair. “Other festivals in the city are all kind of cookie-cutter — the same thing. Ours is much more community-minded and much more varied.”

Stoltz, the event’s organizer, said that she handpicks quality vendors to take part in the neighborhood celebration that has been going on since the early 1990s.

“I’m trying to showcase the diversity, the talent and the taste of the neighborhood,” said the Prospect Heights resident.

That means instead of sausage-and-pepper stands on every corner, throngs of hungry foodies indulged in French baked goods from Provence en Boite, classic lobster rolls from Red Hook Lobster Pound’s famed food truck, and fine gourmet cheeses from Stinky Bklyn.

But Stoltz said that the street fair, which boasted more than 200 vendors, wasn’t always the lively and bustling festival that it is today.

The street fair started long before Smith Street was the art, dining, fashion, and nightlife haven that it is today. “It wasn’t at this level — even Smith Street wasn’t at this level,” she said. “It grew along with Smith Street.”

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(Left) Jonathan Kirschner of Fort Greene and Emerald Lin of Manhattan couldn’t wait to bite into the Red Hook Lobster Pound’s lobster rolls at Smith Street’s street fair, Funday Sunday. (Right) Shriver Tran had rugelach pastries for sale.



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Keeping wildlife safe

Nature advocates clean up debris around P'Park lake

By Natalie Musumeci
The Brooklyn Paper

A group of nature-lovers got down and dirty in Prospect Park on Saturday to help keep the wildlife of Brooklyn's backyard out of harm's way.

Hazardous fishing line, barbed hooks, dumped barbecue charcoals, rusty soda cans, and even a dead rooster stowed inside a paper bag were some of the many harmful items that a bunch of do-gooders found in and around the green space's popular lake during a cleanup of the lakeside organized by Wildlife Interests, Learning and Development for Prospect Park.

Members of the group, along with some members of the Brooklyn Young Democrats and other volunteers, rolled up their sleeves, broke out the litter picker-uppers, and filled more than 10 trash bags of improperly discarded waste at the afternoon cleanup. "We focus on the debris that's harmful to the wildlife, such as fishing line, fish hooks, and plastic bags, which we always find in the lake," said Mary Beth Artz, a founding member of the group.

The wildlife conservation group, formed in 2010 by a handful of like-minded community members who came together after federal agents slaughtered more than 250 geese in Prospect Park, has worked since its inception to clean up around the banks of the 60-acre lake during the warmer months.

"We find everything," said Artz, who added that at the June cleanup participants even pulled out algae-covered men's underwear from the lake.

One of the most dangerous items that Artz said the group finds all too often are barbed fishing hooks, which are illegal to use while fishing at the lake.

Fishing in the lake is legal with a license, and the park has bins for anglers to discard hooks and line, but Artz said that sometimes fishermen are careless with their tackle, and non-fish end up suffering.

"Barbed hooks are designed to impale flesh and keep the fish on the hooks," said the lifelong Windsor Terrace resident. "If it will



(Clockwise from top) Wildlife advocates Deb Siner, left, and Theresa Galvin pulled algae-covered men's underwear out of Prospect Park's lake. David Karopin, a member of WILD for Prospect Park and the Brooklyn Young Democrats, found barbecue charcoals left by the base of a tree in a non-barbecue area. Bear Siner removed a can.

keep the fish on the hook, it will also hurt humans or a dog."

Most recently a trio of swans living in Prospect Park's lake were saved by humans after getting stuck by barbed fishing hooks that were haphazardly tossed into the water.

"We have been very concerned by the numerous incidents over the past few years where birds and other animals at the lakeside needed rescue and rehabilitation because they were impaled by fishing hooks or other litter," said group member David Karopin, who also belongs to the Brooklyn Young

Democrats.

Karopin coordinated some members of the political group to come help out with the cleanup.

"I think both groups share a passion for taking an active role in making our communities better places, and in this case, our parks," he said.

Artz said that when the group goes out to scour the banks of the lakeside for hazardous materials, the cleanup doubles as an opportunity to educate park-goers and raise awareness about the plight of wildlife in the green space.

"Our whole focus is getting people to understand—don't leave the hooks, don't

leave the fishing line, because the birds will get strangled, ingest it, and die," she said. "If it doesn't get picked up, it's a danger to wildlife."

The Prospect Park Alliance, which manages the park, said it does not have the authority to enforce fishing regulations. But Wildlife Interests, Learning and Development for Prospect Park is doing everything it can to make people aware.

"Unless they know, they won't know, so we're trying to help everybody," Artz said.

The group's next lakeside cleanup will likely be in mid-July.

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KNIT WIT: Polish fiber artist Olek created a massive piece titled “All You Need is Love And Money” at this weekend’s Open Canvas block party on N. Sixth Street.

CHURCH...

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claim your menstrual cycle,” said Harrington. “It’s all about manifestation and noticing our cycles that we experience as related to cosmic cycle.”

There are eight organizing members of the church, which started at the Body Actualized Center, a yoga, music and spiritual center on Troutman Street in Bushwick, and gatherings draw anywhere from 10 to 50 participants intent on making the world a better place.

“It’s a kind of community organizing, getting groups of creative people together to be their creative selves,” said co-founder Asha Cherian, who also goes by the name Asha Man.

To that end, the people of the Moon Church try to be a loving, supportive community to each other.

“We have an e-mail list with apartment and job postings and advice,” said Cherian.

The Moon Church does not have a brick-and-mortar gathering place, instead holding its ceremonies at members’ homes, the Body Actualized Center, or the occult bookstore Catland on Flushing Avenue, which is fine with them, because, in the end, one’s own body is one’s temple.

“Right now, we’re focusing on strengthening the inner collective,” said Harrington.

Find the Moon Church on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Moon-Church/540269319326639?fref=ts>

DOG...

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owners thanks to the proprietor of a nearby auto parts store who gave her a copy of a video of the attack. She has filed a civil suit against the owners of the dog and is pushing the Health Department to hold a hearing to declare the dog dangerous — a move she says is necessary to ensure the dog, which she doesn’t want ordered killed, gets the help it needs.

“That’s the only way to get a judge to enforce muzzling or obedience training,” said Schneider. “Or the judge might rule that the owners are completely incompetent and the dog should be taken away. It is not my goal to have the dog put down.”

The Health Department will immediately launch a dangerous dog hearing if a dog bites a human, but otherwise, a complainant has to file a report and request a hearing.

Schneider declined to name the humans she thinks are responsible for the dog murder, since they have not yet been served with papers for the lawsuit.



Arlo

Torre’s daughter a natural catcher

By Will Bredderman
The Brooklyn Paper

Her father first made a name for himself as a catcher — now she has, too!

Cristina Torre — daughter of Gold Glove winner and former New York Yankees manager Joe Torre — made an incredibly close play when she saved a 1-year-old baby from falling to its death on Third Avenue on June 19.

The 44-year-old Torre — a Bay Ridge resident — was cy-

cling to work at 10:30 am when she spotted the 1-year-old boy dangling from the awning of a frozen yogurt shop between 91st and 92nd streets, according to our sister publication, the New York Post.

Torre got underneath the child and didn’t let the baby get past her when it fell moments later.

Police believe the child crawled out a window overhead onto a fire escape before dropping onto the awning. The baby was taken



Joe Torre’s daughter, Cristina, caught a baby at this shop.

to Lutheran Medical Center with a bloody nose. Cops arrested the parents on charges of reckless endangerment and acting in a manner injurious to a child under 17. Three other children were taken out of the couple’s custody.

Authorities said that it was unclear what the parents were doing at the time of the incident.

“They were off being excellent parents, I guess,” a police source said. “I don’t know what they were doing.”

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PARENT

Eye-opening high-school graduation

The tradition at my daughter’s high-school is to have a number of seniors, elected by their classmates, give speeches at graduation. I found myself listening to the words of first one and then another of the six chosen graduates with a detachment and cynicism of, well, a 51-year-old man.

In my mind I put each of them in a box — the class clown, the good kid, the brainy self-important student — at first dismissing their remarks with the perspective of 30-plus years of post-high-school life.

It is easy to disregard my

girl’s emotions at moments, seeing them through the filter of age. I remember the first time, a number of years ago, my older daughter ran to her room yelling, “This is the worst day of my life,” followed by an impressive door slam. I found it hard not to laugh because I saw clearly that, whatever awful, terrible thing had happened, it really wasn’t so bad and would be forgotten quickly.

What took me longer to realize was that, to her, at that moment, a six-year-old facing the slights of kindergarten peers or childhood disappointments, it really

could have been the worst day of her life.

No matter how hard I try to hide it, at times I can be dismissive of my daughters’ feelings, writing them off to teenage drama or lack of sleep. Regardless of what words come out of my mouth, I’m sure I transmit this indifference in other ways, infuriating my kids and making them feel I’m not taking their emotions seriously.

It can be hard to reach back



The Dad

By Scott Sager

and remember what adolescent feelings were like, the intensity and passion, the immediacy and all-consuming nature of those times, without also now seeing the folly and recklessness that went along with them.

The graduation speakers were quite eloquent,

each striving to communicate some essential feeling about high school, reflecting on the past four years. I tried to listen, not with the distance of age but with an openness to what they were trying to tell me and all the other parents.

Suddenly, their words became so moving as I heard them speak about the fun, the challenges, the joy, the fears, and the love they had experienced in high school, now facing the uncertainty and excitement of leaving this time and place.

Rather than looking at my daughter and her classmates

through the lens of my own experience, judged by all the ensuing time, I really got a little piece of what life had been like for them, seeing through a tiny window the carousel of emotions, ideas, and relationships that consumed them these last four years.

I also realized that the only way to fully appreciate my daughter and all the varied experiences of her life is to hear her feelings, whether she is sharing them or hurling them at me.

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HEZI TORATI _____ X
-against-
TRENICE SIMPSON _____ X

To the following named defendant: TRENICE SIMPSON:
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to appear and answer the summons and complaint of Hezi Torati in the action filed against you as defendant and to serve a copy of your answer within 30 days after service is complete, and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

TO THE DEFENDANT NAMED ABOVE: The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Hon. Yvonne Lewis, Justice of Supreme Court, Kings County, signed May 31, 2013 and filed with the complaint and other papers in the Kings County Clerk's Office, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, New York.

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By: Adam Michael Levy, Esq.
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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK - COUNTY OF KINGS INDEX NO. 501708/12
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ADDRESS: 1236 EAST 102ND STREET, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK BLOCK: 8266 LOT: 60
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TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Order of the Court dated March 11, 2013 and filed along with the supporting papers in the Kings County Clerk's Office. This is an action to foreclose a tax lien.
SCHEDULE A - DESCRIPTION
ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of land with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the County of Kings, Borough of Brooklyn, City and State of New York, known and designated on the City of New York Tax Map as Block 8266 Lot 60.
REFERENCE # 700777.689

SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS AND AMENDED NOTICE
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF KINGS- NYCTL 2009-A TRUST AND THE BANK OF NEW YORK AS COLLATERAL AGENT AND CUSTODIAN, Plaintiff against ESTATE OF SKUKRI M. HALLUM; MOHAMMED HALLUOM if the aforesaid individual defendants are living, and if any or all of said individual defendants be dead, their heirs at law, next of kin, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, committees, devisees, legatees, and the assignees, li- enors, creditors and suc- cessors in interest of them, and generally all persons having or claiming under, by, through or against the said defendants named as a class, of any right, title, or interest in or lien upon the premises described in the verified complaint herein; THAMIND HALLUOM if the aforesaid individual defendants are living, and if any or all of said individual defendants be dead, their heirs at law, next of kin, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, committees, devisees, lega- tees, and the assignees, li- enors, creditors and suc- cessors in interest of them, and generally all persons having or claiming under, by, through or against the said defendants named as a class, of any right, title, or interest in or lien upon the premises described in the verified complaint herein; NEW YORK CITY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; NEW YORK STATE DEPART- MENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE; PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK and "JOHN DOE # 1" through "JOHN DOE #100", inclusive the last 100 names being fictitious and unknown to the plain- tiff, it being intended to designate fee owners, tenants or occupants of the li- ened premises and/or per- sons or parties, if any, hav- ing or claiming an interest in or lien upon the liened premises described in the amended complaint, if the aforesaid individual defendants are living and if any or all of said individual defendants be dead, their heirs at law, next of kin, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, committees, devisees, lega- tees, and the assignees, li- enors, creditors and suc- cessors in interest of them, and generally all persons

tees, and the assignees, li- enors, creditors and suc- cessors in interest of them, and generally all persons having or claiming under, by, through or against the said defendants named as a class, of any right, title, or interest in or lien upon the premises described in the amended complaint herein. Defendants Index #7121/10 Plaintiff desig- nates Kings County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the liened premise is situated. TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: YOU ARE HEREBY SUM- MONED to answer the amended complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the amended complaint is not served with this supple- mental summons, to serve a notice of appearance on the attorneys for Plaintiff within (20) days after the service of this supplemen- tal summons, exclusive of the day of service or within (30) days after completion of service where is made in any other manner than per- sonal delivery within the State. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may appear within sixty (60) days of service hereof. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judg- ment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the amended complaint. NOTICE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT - THE OBJECT of the above captioned action is to fore- close a Tax Lien pursuant to a Certificate recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Kings on Au- gust 25, 2009, in CRFN# 2009000271394, covering premises known as Bush- wick Avenue, Brooklyn, NY lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York and designated as (Block 03401 and Lot 0038). The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt de- scribed above. NOTICE- YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME - If you do not respond to this supplemental sum- mons and amended com- plaint by serving a copy of the answer on the at- torney for the plaintiff, (tax lien holder), who filed this foreclosure pro- ceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the sup- plemental summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to the plaintiff, tax lien holder, will not stop the foreclo-



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sure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. The foregoing supplemental summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Honorable Judge Karen G. Rothenberg filed May 24, 2013 Shapiro, Di- caro & Barak, LLC, 105 Maxess Road, Suite N109, Melville, NY 11747. Attor- neys for Plaintiff, BY: Shari S. Barak, Esq., (631)844-9611. Our file No. 10-000828.

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